

Milwaukee County Personnel Review Board

Meeting Minutes – February 23, 2021

I. Roll Call

Board President Daniel Dennehy called to order the regular meeting of the Personnel Review Board at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 23, 2021. The meeting was held telephonically.

The following Board Members were present: Ms. Phoebe Williams, Mr. Greg Renz, Mr. David Kern and Mr. Daniel Dennehy.

II. Approval of the Minutes of the February 9, 2021 Meeting

Mr. Renz moved, Mr. Kern seconded, and the Board voted 4-0 to approve the minutes from the February 9, 2021 meeting.

III. Communications and/or comments from the public, if any.

None.

IV. Correspondence

None.

V. First Appearances

A. DISCHARGES

**TIFFENY GODBOLT, YOUTH CORRECTIONAL OFFICER, DHHS
Case #2-4659 dated 02/03/2021**

The Board heard the report of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, that the employee, Tiffeny Godbolt, resigned from her position in County service effective February 11, 2021.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Tiffeny Godbolt and closed this case.

**WAYNE KOEPKE, CORRECTION OFFICER I, HOC
Case #2-4660 dated 02/05/2021 for HOC IA #20-262**

The Board heard the request of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, to place the matter of Wayne Koepke to the Call of the Chair to await his retirement date of March 9, 2021.

Mr. Renz moved, Mr. Kern seconded, and the Board, by unanimous vote (4-0) continued this case to the Call of the Chair to await the March 9, 2021 date of retirement of Mr. Wayne Koepke.

MARK CESAR, SUPERVISOR FLEET, DOT
Case #2-4661 dated 02/11/2021

The Board heard the request of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, heard the request of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel to continue the matter of Mark Cesar for hearing certain on March 9, 2021. Currently, Mr. Cesar is working to submit an application for retirement. On March 9, 2021, Attorney West will either provide an update or the matter will proceed to hearing.

Mr. Renz moved, Ms. Williams seconded, and the Board, by unanimous vote (4-0) to continue this matter for hearing certain on March 9, 2021.

MELVIN JACKSON, SUPERVISOR FLEET, DOT
Case #2-4662 dated 02/11/2021

The Board heard the request of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, to place the matter of Melvin Jackson to the Call of the Chair to await his retirement date of April 1, 2021.

Mr. Renz moved, Mr. Kern seconded, and the Board, by unanimous vote (4-0) continued this case to the Call of the Chair to await the April 1, 2021 date of retirement of Mr. Melvin Jackson.

VI. Update

A. DISCHARGE

WESLEY BOONE, DEPUTY SHERIFF I, SHERIFF
Case #2-4634 dated 10/30/2020 for IA #20-280

The Board heard the report of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, that Mr. Boone's application for disability retirement has been approved by the Milwaukee County Pension Board. Mr. Boone has an appointment this week to file his paperwork to effectuate the retirement. Attorney West requested to continue to keep the matter of Wesley Boone to the Call of the Chair to await the filing of retirement paperwork by Mr. Boone.

The Board agreed to continue this case to the Call of the Chair to await the filing of paperwork to effectuate the disability retirement of Wesley Boone.

VII. Hearings

A. SUSPENSIONS

ALEJANDRO LEZAMA, DEPUTY SHERIFF I, SHERIFF
Case #1-4649 dated 12/23/2020 for IA #20-329A for 5 Days

The Board heard the request of Attorney Graham Wiemer, to place the matter of Alejandro Lezama to the Call of the Chair. Atty. Wiemer reported that Mr. Lezama is currently appealing a previous suspension in another venue. Should said appeal prove successful for Mr. Lezama, the Personnel Review Board would no longer have jurisdiction over the matter before it, as it would no longer be Mr. Lezama's second suspension in a six-month period. The Board asked Atty. Wiemer that he update the Board regarding the progress of this appeal by letter no later than March 12, 2021.

Mr. Renz moved, Mr. Kern seconded, and the Board, by unanimous vote (4-0) continued this case to the Call of the Chair to await the decision on the appeal of Mr. Lezama's previous suspension.

RYAN RICHARDS, DEPUTY SHERIFF I, SHERIFF
Case #1-4638 dated 10/30/2020 for IA #20-077 for 5 Days

The Board heard the report of Attorney Graham Wiemer, that Ryan Richards verbally waived his right to a hearing on the Notice of Suspension, and accepted the 5-day suspension.

The Board acknowledged the waiver and closed this case.

VIII. PRB Legal Services RFP Update

At 9:15 a.m., Mr. Renz moved, Mr. Kern seconded, and the Board voted 4-0 to go into closed session to discuss the PRB legal services RFP. At 10:49 a.m., the Board reconvened in open session.

IX. Personnel Matter

At 9:15 a.m., Mr. Renz moved, Mr. Kern seconded, and the Board voted 4-0 to go into closed session to discuss the performance evaluation of the PRB Administrator. At 10:49 a.m., the Board reconvened in open session.

- a. Performance Evaluation of the PRB Administrator

X. Adjourn

Mr. Renz moved, Mr. Kern seconded, and the Board, by unanimous vote (4-0), adjourned the meeting at 10:51 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Alisha Terry, Administrative Assistant